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THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE ADOPTED AT THE AUGUST 4, 2004, COMMISSION MEETING AND RELEASED LATER THAT DAY

NEWS RELEASES

FCC TAKES ACTION TO PROTECT WIRELESS SUBSCRIBERS FROM SPAM. Prohibits sending commercial messages referencing specified domain names. News Release. (Dkt No 02-278 , 04-53). Adopted: 08/04/2004. News Media Contact: Rosemary Kimball at (202) 418-0511, email: Rosemary.Kimball@fcc.gov CGB. Contact Ruth Yodaiken at (202) 418-7928 [DOC-250522A1.doc](#) [DOC-250522A2.doc](#) [DOC-250522A3.doc](#) [DOC-250522A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250522A2.pdf](#) [DOC-250522A3.pdf](#) [DOC-250522A1.txt](#) [DOC-250522A2.txt](#) [DOC-250522A3.txt](#)

COMMISSION SEEKS COMMENT ON RULE CHANGES FOR THE EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM. The FCC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking concerning the EAS, seeking comment on how EAS can be improved to be a more effective mechanism for warning the American public of an emergency. News Release. (Dkt No 04-296). Adopted: 08/04/2004. News Media Contact: Suzanne Tetreault at (202) 418-7450 EB. Contact Suzanne Tetreault at (202) 418-7450 and James Dailey at (202) 418-1199 [DOC-250534A1.doc](#) [DOC-250534A2.doc](#) [DOC-250534A3.doc](#) [DOC-250534A4.doc](#) [DOC-250534A5.doc](#) [DOC-250534A6.doc](#) [DOC-250534A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250534A2.pdf](#) [DOC-250534A3.pdf](#) [DOC-250534A4.pdf](#) [DOC-250534A5.pdf](#) [DOC-250534A6.pdf](#) [DOC-250534A1.txt](#) [DOC-250534A2.txt](#) [DOC-250534A3.txt](#) [DOC-250534A4.txt](#) [DOC-250534A5.txt](#) [DOC-250534A6.txt](#)

FCC TAKES NEXT STEPS TO PROMOTE DIGITAL TV TRANSITION. The FCC adopted a Report and Order that implements several steps necessary for the continued progress of the conversion of the nation's television broadcast system from analog technology to digital television ("DTV"). News Release. Adopted: 08/04/2004. News Media Contact: Suzon Cameron at (202) 418-1916 MB. Contact Eloise Gore and Rick Chessen at (202) 418-7200, TTY: (202) 418-7172 [DOC-250542A1.doc](#) [DOC-250542A2.doc](#) [DOC-250542A3.doc](#) [DOC-250542A4.doc](#) [DOC-250542A5.doc](#) [DOC-250542A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250542A2.pdf](#) [DOC-250542A3.pdf](#) [DOC-250542A4.pdf](#) [DOC-250542A5.pdf](#) [DOC-250542A1.txt](#) [DOC-250542A2.txt](#) [DOC-250542A3.txt](#) [DOC-250542A4.txt](#) [DOC-250542A5.txt](#)

FCC APPROVES DIGITAL OUTPUT PROTECTION TECHNOLOGIES AND RECORDING METHOD CERTIFICATIONS. The FCC adopted a Report and Order approving thirteen digital output protection technologies and recording methods under the evaluative criteria established in the Digital Broadcast Content Protection Report and Order ("Broadcast Flag Order"). News Release. (Dkt No 04-55). Adopted: 08/04/2004. News Media Contact: Suzon Cameron at (202) 418-1916 MB. Contact Susan Mort or Rick Chessen at (202)

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FCC ADOPTS NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING AND DECLARATORY RULING REGARDING COMMUNICATIONS ASSISTANCE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT ACT ("CALEA"). The FCC begins a thorough examination of the appropriate legal and policy framework for implementing the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act. News Release. (Dkt No 04-295). Adopted: 08/04/2004. News Media Contact: Julis Knapp at (202) 418-2468 OET. Contact Rodney Small at (202) 418-2452 or Geraldine Matisse at (202) 418-2322 [DOC-250547A1.doc](#) [DOC-250547A2.doc](#) [DOC-250547A3.doc](#) [DOC-250547A4.doc](#) [DOC-250547A5.doc](#) [DOC-250547A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250547A2.pdf](#) [DOC-250547A3.pdf](#) [DOC-250547A4.pdf](#) [DOC-250547A5.pdf](#) [DOC-250547A1.txt](#) [DOC-250547A2.txt](#) [DOC-250547A3.txt](#) [DOC-250547A4.txt](#) [DOC-250547A5.txt](#)

FCC ADOPTS RULES TO ENHANCE NETWORK OUTAGE REPORTING TO FACILITATE MORE RELIABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND PROMOTE HOMELAND SECURITY. The FCC adopted new rules requiring wireless, wireline, cable and satellite telecommunications providers to report information electronically to the Commission. News Release. (Dkt No 04-35). Adopted: 08/04/2004. News Media Contact: Fred Thomas at (202) 418-2449 OET. Contact Kent Nilsson at (202) 418-0845 e-mail: Kent.Nilsson@fcc.gov or Jeffery.Goldthorpe@fcc.gov [DOC-250543A1.doc](#) [DOC-250543A2.doc](#) [DOC-250543A3.doc](#) [DOC-250543A4.doc](#) [DOC-250543A5.doc](#) [DOC-250543A6.doc](#) [DOC-250543A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250543A2.pdf](#) [DOC-250543A3.pdf](#) [DOC-250543A4.pdf](#) [DOC-250543A5.pdf](#) [DOC-250543A6.pdf](#) [DOC-250543A1.txt](#) [DOC-250543A2.txt](#) [DOC-250543A3.txt](#) [DOC-250543A4.txt](#) [DOC-250543A5.txt](#) [DOC-250543A6.txt](#)

FCC ADOPTS FURTHER MEASURES TO SAFEGUARD THE E-RATE PROGRAM. The FCC adopted measures that resolve a number of issues that have arisen from audit activities conducted as part of ongoing oversight of the schools and libraries support mechanism ("E-rate" program). News Release. (Dkt No 02-6). Adopted: 08/04/2004. News Media Contact: Diane L. Griffin at (202) 418-7294, email: Diane.Griffin@fcc.gov WCB. Contact Greg Lipscomb at (202) 418-8200 [DOC-250540A1.doc](#) [DOC-250540A2.doc](#) [DOC-250540A3.doc](#) [DOC-250540A4.doc](#) [DOC-250540A5.doc](#) [DOC-250540A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250540A2.pdf](#) [DOC-250540A3.pdf](#) [DOC-250540A4.pdf](#) [DOC-250540A5.pdf](#) [DOC-250540A1.txt](#) [DOC-250540A2.txt](#) [DOC-250540A3.txt](#) [DOC-250540A4.txt](#) [DOC-250540A5.txt](#)

FCC TAKES ACTION TO PROMOTE BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT TO MULTIPLE DWELLING UNITS (MDUS). The FCC acted to promote broadband deployment to consumers by providing the incumbent local exchange carriers (LECs) additional incentives to invest in broadband facilities to multiple dwelling units (MDUs). News Release. (Dkt No 96-98 , 98-147). Adopted: 08/04/2004. News Media Contact: Diane L. Griffin at (202) 418-7294, email: Diane.Griffin@fcc.gov WCB. Contact Pamela Arluk at (202) 418-1471 [DOC-250545A1.doc](#) [DOC-250545A2.doc](#) [DOC-250545A3.doc](#) [DOC-250545A4.doc](#) [DOC-250545A5.doc](#) [DOC-250545A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250545A2.pdf](#) [DOC-250545A3.pdf](#) [DOC-250545A4.pdf](#) [DOC-250545A5.pdf](#) [DOC-250545A1.txt](#) [DOC-250545A2.txt](#) [DOC-250545A3.txt](#) [DOC-250545A4.txt](#) [DOC-250545A5.txt](#)

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THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE DATED AND RELEASED TODAY:

PUBLIC NOTICES

Report No: 2668 Released: 08/05/2004. CONSUMER & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS BUREAU REFERENCE INFORMATION CENTER PETITION FOR RULEMAKING FILED. CGB [DOC-250575A1.doc](#) [DOC-250575A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250575A1.txt](#)

Report No: TEL-00819 Released: 08/05/2004. INTERNATIONAL AUTHORIZATIONS GRANTED. (DA No. 04-2472). IB. Contact: (202) 418-1460 [DA-04-2472A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2472A1.txt](#)

Report No: FCN-00092 Released: 08/05/2004. FOREIGN CARRIER AFFILIATION NOTIFICATION. (DA No. 04-2456). IB. Contact: Peggy Reitzel at (202) 418-1460, TTY: (202) 418-2555 [DA-04-2456A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2456A1.txt](#)

Report No: 45792 Released: 08/05/2004. BROADCAST ACTIONS. MB [DOC-250479A1.txt](#) [DOC-250479A1.pdf](#)

Report No: 25792 Released: 08/05/2004. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS. MB [DOC-250480A1.txt](#) [DOC-250480A1.pdf](#)

Released: 08/05/2004. EX PARTE PRESENTATIONS AND POST-REPLY COMMENT PERIOD FILING IN PERMIT-BUT-DISCLOSURE PROCEEDINGS. OMD. Contact: Helen Abraham @ (202) 418-0310 [DOC-250550A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250550A1.txt](#)

Released: 08/05/2004. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG. WCB. Contact: (202) 418-0270 [DOC-250578A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250578A1.txt](#)

Released: 08/05/2004. SBC FILES COST ALLOCATION MANUAL REVISION. (DA No. 04-2478). Comments Due: 09/07/2004. Reply Comments Due: 09/22/2004. WCB. Contact: Debbie Weber at (202) 418-0812 [DA-04-2478A1.doc](#) [DA-04-2478A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2478A1.txt](#)

Released: 08/05/2004. CITIZENS UTILITIES COMPANY EMERGENCY PETITION FOR WAIVER AND SNET PETITIONS FOR WAIVER OF FCC RULES, NOTICE OF PROCEEDING TERMINATIONS. (DA No. 04-2474). WCB. Contact: Jennifer McKee at (202) 418-1530 [DA-04-2474A1.doc](#) [DA-04-2474A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2474A1.txt](#)

Report No: NCD-973 Released: 08/05/2004. WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU NETWORK CHANGE NOTIFICATION FILED BY SBC COMMUNICATIONS. WCB. Contact: Carmell Weathers at (202) 418-2325, TTY: (202) 418-0484, email: Carmell.Weathers@fcc.gov [DOC-250518A1.doc](#) [DOC-250518A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250518A1.txt](#)

Released: 08/05/2004. PARTIES ASKED TO REFRESH RECORD REGARDING RECONSIDERATION OF PRICE CAP PERFORMANCE REVIEW FOR LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS 4TH R&O AND ACCESS CHARGE REFORM 2ND R&O. (DA No. 04-2475). (Dkt No 94-1 , 96-262). WCB. Contact: Jennifer McKee at (202) 418-1530, email: Jennifer.McKee@fcc.gov [DA-04-2475A1.doc](#) [DA-04-2475A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2475A1.txt](#)

TEXTS

SUTRO CORPORATION. Denied the Application for Review. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: 08/02/2004 by MO&O. (FCC No. 04-186). EB [FCC-04-186A1.doc](#) [FCC-04-186A1.pdf](#) [FCC-04-186A1.txt](#)

FM TABLE OF ALLOTMENTS, WALLACE, ID AND BIGFORK, MT. Denied Application for Review. (Dkt No. 98-159). Action by: the Commission. Adopted: 07/29/2004 by MO&O. (FCC No. 04-184). MB [FCC-04-184A1.doc](#) [FCC-04-184A1.pdf](#) [FCC-04-184A1.txt](#)

TDS METROCOM, LLC. Granted the application of TDS Metrocom, LLC for certification to operate an open video system in the Service Area. Action by: Deputy Chief, Policy Division, Media Bureau. Adopted: 08/04/2004 by MO&O. (DA No. 04-2471). MB [DA-04-2471A1.doc](#) [DA-04-2471A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2471A1.txt](#)

TIME WARNER CABLE. Granted the Appeal of Local Rate Order. Denied Petition to Revoke Certification and Request for Assessment of Costs. Action by: Deputy Chief, Policy Division, Media Bureau. Adopted: 08/03/2004 by MO&O. (DA No. 04-2458). MB [DA-04-2458A1.doc](#) [DA-04-2458A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2458A1.txt](#)

ASHLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS, ASHLAND, OR, ET AL. Extended an additional sixty (60) days the Requests for Review of decisions by the Schools and Libraries Division of USAC. (Dkt No. 02-6). Action by: Deputy Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau. Adopted: 08/03/2004 by ORDER. (DA No. 04-2465). WCB [DA-04-2465A1.doc](#) [DA-04-2465A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2465A1.txt](#)

ALLENDALE COUNTY SCHOOLS, ALLENDALE, SOUTH CAROLINA, ET AL. Extended by 30 days the time period for taking action on the Requests for Review of decisions issued by the Schools and Libraries Division of USAC. (Dkt No. 02-6). Action by: Deputy Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau. Adopted: 08/03/2004 by ORDER. (DA No. 04-2464). WCB [DA-04-2464A1.doc](#) [DA-04-2464A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2464A1.txt](#)

REQUEST FOR WAIVER BY MIDPORT ELECTRONICS, INC. TO ALLOW OPERATION ON FREQUENCIES IN THE 421-430 MHZ BAND IN THE DETROIT, MICHIGAN AREA. Granted Request for Waiver. Action by: Chief, Public Safety and Critical Infrastructure Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: 07/28/2004 by ORDER. (DA No. 04-2439). WTB [DA-04-2439A1.doc](#) [DA-04-2439A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2439A1.txt](#)

ADDENDA: THE FOLLOWING ITEMS, RELEASED AUGUST 4, 2004, DID NOT APPEAR IN DIGEST NO. 146:

NEWS RELEASES

HOMELAND SECURITY POLICY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS FCC ACTIONS PROMOTING HOMELAND SECURITY. News Release. Adopted: 08/04/2004. News Media Contact: Meribeth McCarrick at (202) 418-0654, email: Meribeth.McCarrick@fcc.gov EB [DOC-250521A1.doc](#) [DOC-250521A2.doc](#) [DOC-250521A3.doc](#) [DOC-250521A1.pdf](#) [DOC-250521A2.pdf](#) [DOC-250521A3.pdf](#) [DOC-250521A4.pdf](#) [DOC-250521A1.txt](#) [DOC-250521A2.txt](#) [DOC-250521A3.txt](#) [DOC-250521A4.txt](#)

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: 08/04/2004. EFFECTIVE DATE OF SCHEDULE OF CHARGES FOR APPLICATION FEES. (DA No. 04-2467). OMD. Contact: Claudette Pride at (202) 418-1995 [DA-04-2467A1.doc](#) [DA-04-2467A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2467A1.txt](#)

Released: 08/04/2004. COMMENTS INVITED ON APPLICATION OF MUTUAL OF OMAHA TO DISCONTINUE DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES. (DA No. 04-2469). (Dkt No 04-297). Comments Due: 08/18/2004. WCB. Contact: Carmell Weathers at (202) 418-2325, email: Carmell.Weathers@fcc.gov or John Adams at (202) 418-0394, email: John.Adams@fcc.gov, TTY: (202) 418-0484 [DA-04-2469A1.doc](#) [DA-04-2469A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2469A1.txt](#)

Report No: AUC-04-57-C Released: 08/04/2004. AUTOMATED MARITIME TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM SPECTRUM AUCTION. (DA No. 04-2468) Status of FCC Form 175 Applications to Participate in the Auction, Auction No. 57. WTB. Contact: Gail Glasser at (202) 418-0578, FCC Technical Support Hotline: (202) 414-1250, TTY: (202) 418-1255, Howard Davenport at (202) 418-0660, Roy Knowles at (717) 338-2888

or Lisa Stover at (717) 338-2888 [DA-04-2468A1.doc](#) [DA-04-2468A1.pdf](#) [DA-04-2468A2.pdf](#) [DA-04-2468A3.pdf](#) [DA-04-2468A1.txt](#) [DA-04-2468A2.txt](#) [DA-04-2468A3.txt](#)